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**Attempt Murder of San Diego Police Officer in Mira Mesa**

**San Diego** – This morning, at 10:09 a.m., a San Diego Police Motorcycle Officer was injured during a traffic stop in a Mira Mesa neighborhood. The officer initiated a traffic stop on a black Chrysler sedan at Black Mountain Road and Westview Parkway. The sedan initially yielded but quickly sped away from the officer. The sedan attempted to evade the officer who pursued it. The sedan stopped in a traffic lane, shifted into reverse gear and accelerated back into the police motorcycle that was directly behind it. The sedan struck the motorcycle, knocked the officer over and continued to push the motorcycle backwards in the roadway with the officer pinned under it. The sedan then fled the area northbound on Black Mountain Road.

The suspect vehicle is described as a black Chrysler sedan with an Arizona license plate. The driver is described as a Hispanic male with shaved or short hair. A female was in the passenger seat of the sedan when it struck the officer.

The Homicide Unit was called to the scene to investigate the attempted murder of the officer.

The name of the officer involved in this incident is not being released at this time, but he has been assigned to the Traffic Division Motorcycle Unit for over 5 years and has been with the Department for over 13 years. The officer was treated at a local hospital for minor injuries and later released.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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